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SENT DEPARTMENT 1758; REPEATED INFORMATION LONDON NIACT 113,  
PARIS NIACT 137.I DELIVERED TEXT PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO GROMYKO AT  
4:15 (FRENCH AT 4 AND BRITISH 4:30). PARA 3 WAS REARRANGED  
IN ACCORDANCE PARIS TEL 95.

IN REPLY TO MY ORAL REMARKS GROMYKO SAID SOV GOVT HAD  
EXPRESSED CERTAIN CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING FORMULATION  
OF AGENDA WHICH THEY CONSIDERED MORE ADEQUATE THAN OURS.  
HE SAID OF COURSE ANYONE WAS FREE TO RAISE A QUESTION  
AND IT WAS UP TO OTHER PARTICIPANTS TO DECIDE WHETHER  
IT WAS OF GENERAL INTEREST AND ONE WHICH THEY WISHED  
DISCUSS. HE SAID THEY PROPOSED DISCUSS ATOMIC TESTING  
ONLY IF THERE HAD BEEN NO SIGNATUR OF AGREEMENT BY THAT  
TIME. I SAID THIS WAS QUITE CLEAR. WITH RESPECT TO  
PARTICIPATION GROMYKO SAID HE HAD NOTHING TO ADD TO  
HIS PREVIOUS REMARKS. SOV GOVT CONSIDERED THAT GERMAN  
PARTICIPATION IN THE DISCUSSION OF QUESTIONS OF INTEREST  
TO THEM WOULD BE IN INTERESTS OF CONFERENCE AND WOULD  
BE USEFUL.

GROMYKO EXPRESSED PERSONAL OPINION THAT DATE PROPOSED  
WOULD BE SATISFACTORY.

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